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PLENTY OF WORK FOR WINTER MONTHS

SHORTAGE OF LABOR IS SEEN BY EXPERTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE—MUCH BUILDING IN PROGRESS—DEMAND UNSKILLED LABOR.

Washington, Nov. 16.—Unemployment this winter will be at its lowest ebb since the war days, experts at the department of commerce and the labor department stated today on the basis of a national survey.

Few people who want work need go without a job, they stated. They foresee an acute labor shortage particularly in the unskilled labor industries early in the spring.

This probable labor shortage and the lack of railroad equipment may put a brake on the expected business boom, it was held.

Little unemployment exists today the department claimed. Last year at this time, when the acute situation caused President Harding to convene his famous unemployment conference, more than 8,000,000 workers were jobless.

The tremendous building program of the past year, particularly during the spring and summer months provided places for hundreds of thousands of skilled and common laborers. The hundreds of millions of dollars worth of new equipment ordered by the railroads was another factor in the situation. Labor activity has been increasing in constantly widening circles until now many cities mainly Pittsburgh and Philadelphia, are suffering for lack of workers in the basic industries.

Clerical workers alone report a dearth of jobs. These men and women could find places in industry if they were willing to accept inferior jobs, the commerce department stated.

Fear of a labor shortage, with its consequent reaction on property, has resulted in a demand for lifting of the immigration restrictions. An effort may be made at this session of congress to amend or throw out entirely the three per cent immigration law which restricts the entrance of foreigners to three per cent of the nationals.

STATE HAS SPACE TO CURE NEARLY MILLION BUSHELS OF POTATOES

Spartanburg, Nov. 16.—South Carolina has curing space for 780,000 bushels of sweet potatoes at the present time according to F. L. Harkey, chief of the division of markets in South Carolina whose headquarters are in Spartanburg who will issue an official report shortly. Florence leads the individual counties in the normal amount of curing space with 70,500 bushels capacity. York county has the largest number of curing houses, with 22; Orangeburg is second with 20 and Spartanburg is third with 18.

The first storage and curing house in South Carolina was built in 1915. There are nearly 300 in the state at the present time, 110 having been built in 1922.

GETS IT HONEST.

Harris Patton, a young colored boy, keeps the floors of the Court House clean and in good condition. He gets the habit of doing his work well honest. He says Harriet and John Patton were his "kin folks" long ago when Harriet Patton ironed a white lawn dress it was a work of art, and any of the old timers can tell you when John Patton put on his white apron and went behind McGettiga's bar and mix a drink, why the memory of it makes one look wistful.

NATIONAL LEADER DELIVERS ADDRESS

Daughters of Revolution Visit Cowpens Battlefield—Meeting Ended Wednesday.

Spartanburg, Nov. 16.—A strong address by Mrs. George Maynard Minor, president general of the national Daughters of the American Revolution organization, featured tonight's session of the state conference being held here. Mrs. Miner declared that woman's primary place is in her home. Second to the home, is the school, she said, in which a woman's influence is essential if the best results in the education of boys and girls are obtained.

The state conference will come to a close tomorrow night with a reception at the home of Mrs. W. E. Burnett. The most interesting thing on the morning program will be the discussion of the silver service from the battleship South Carolina which is now in the hands of the state D. A. R. and disposition of this if given to the organization by the state legislature, will likely be decided. The election of officers will take place at the afternoon session, which will be the last business session.

Visiting officials and delegates to the state conference of the Daughters of the American Revolution, as the guests of the Spartanburg United Daughters of the Confederacy, this afternoon were taken to the Cowpens battleground, in the edge of Cherokee county, about 15 miles from Spartanburg, where ceremonies incident to a move to secure federal aid for a monument and suitable markers on the battleground, were held. Dr. D. D. Wallace, professor of history and political science at Wofford college made the principal address which included a realistic description of the battle of Cowpens on January 17, 1721.

MCCALLA BROS. GET CONTRACT

To Build the Cherokee Road, Seven Miles in Length.

The Abbeville County Highway Commission met Wednesday and let the Cherokee Road which is seven miles and a fraction over of road between Lowndesville and Cherokee. The contract was awarded to McCalla Brothers of Lowndesville for \$15,704.38.

Eight contractors submitted bids as follows:

W. C. Hill, Abbeville, \$17,442.15.
H. W. Garrison, Easley, \$17,199.78
J. M. H. Ashley, Honea Path, \$18,162.30.

McCalla Brothers, Lowndesville—\$15,704.38.

Newell Construction Co., Anderson—\$18,227.07.

C. C. Jordan, Anderson—\$17,347.45.

Oglesby & Starke, Elberton, Ga., \$16,780.94.

B. A. Havird & Company, Newberry—\$16,539.62.

LAST WORD IN STILLS.

Necessity is the mother of invention as Constable Moseley Huckabee, of Lowndesville, can certify. He brought to Abbeville this morning the last word in the way of home made stills captured on a small branch above Lowndesville. The still consisted of one three gallon oil can with a hole cut in the top, joined by two elbows and three feet of iron pipe to a one gallon syrup bucket. In this bucket was a galvanized condenser. The contrivance was wiped with white rags and the whole affair soldered together with ordinary bread dough. The furnace was several rocks placed under the oil can to hold it high enough from the ground to permit a fire being built underneath. No arrests have been made.

SEES HARD FIGHT FOR PROHIBITION

"MORE BITTER AND RELENTLESS" THAN EVER—"I DO NOT SEE ANY WET TRIUMPHS DECLARES METHODIST LEADER IN CHICAGO.

Chicago, Nov. 16.—"A more bitter and relentless" wet and dry fight is on than was waged when prohibition was adopted, Dr. Clarence True Wilson, of Washington, D. C. secretary of the board of temperance, prohibition and public morals of the Methodist Episcopal Church declared today in a survey of the result of the November 7 elections issued from the Chicago office of the board.

"Prohibition has been weakly betrayed in the house of its friends, sidetracked by those who ought to have given it the main line, and the fight that we ought to have avoided is now on and it will be more bitter and relentless than was the fighting when prohibition was won," Dr. Wilson declared. He added, however in his opinion prohibition would stand. After asserting that in Illinois where the wets won a referendum, prohibition was "betrayed by the officers of the law," Dr. Wilson said.

"Then when the wets had the initiative petition scored an adversary vote by all the people instead of the leaders seeing in that a great opportunity for a sweeping educational campaign that would carry the State of Illinois and but to silence the false accusations of evil-minded people, they spent their time in fighting the taking of an expression of the people and when over-ruled in the courts advised the dry not to vote at all on the subject and under that leadership Methodist conference have voted to advise their people not to vote.

Dr. Wilson said that the defeat of Congressman A. J. Volstead, chairman of the House judiciary committee although defeated by a "bone dry preacher" was a great loss.

93,000 DEATHS FROM CANCER LAST YEAR

Death Rate Higher in Northern Than in Southern States.—South Carolina Lowest.

Washington, Nov. 16.—Deaths due to cancer in the United States during 1921 totalled 93,000 the census bureau estimated today, composed with an estimate of 89,000 in 1920. The calculation for both years was based on returns from the bureau's death registration area which includes 34 states and the District of Columbia.

The bureau's announcement, said the 1921 rate was higher than that for any preceding year in 24 of the 34 states making reports. The rates for the registration area was 86 per 100,000 in 1921, compared with 83.4 for 1920.

After adjusting the rates in various states to make allowance for differences in the age and sex distribution of the population the bureau found that for 1921, Massachusetts had the highest rate—99.6 per 100,000—while South Carolina, with 47.6 had the lowest.

Summarizing its compilation the bureau made this observation.

"The adjusted rates show that the northern states have comparatively high and the Southern states comparatively low cancer mortality while there is little difference between the adjusted cancer rates of the white and colored races of the same states, in other words, the white and colored races seem equally susceptible to cancer, but both races seem less susceptible in the south than in the north.

CONSERVATIVES WIN OVER ALL PARTIES

RESULTS OF BRITISH ELECTIONS YESTERDAY—LADY ASTOR AND JOHN JACOB ASTOR BOTH ELECTED—VOTE NOT COMPLETE.

London, Nov. 16.—With only 28 constituencies missing at 6:30 o'clock tonight the returns showed the conservatives had elected 340 members of the house of commons or 33 more than a majority of the voting members. The Asquithian liberals had elected 59 members, labor 130, the Georgiete Liberate 43 others 15.

London, Nov. 16.—Prime Minister Bonar Law had secured a majority of twelve over all the other parties in the house of commons when the returns for 545 of the 615 divisions had been received late this afternoon. There are three non-voting members including the speaker, thereby making the hundreds for a bare majority 307. The conservatives up to late this afternoon had captured 319 seats.

This did not mean, however that the prime minister already had obtained a so-called working majority as the support of some of the conservatives will be limited on many questions, but the conservatives were looking to the remaining 70 seats to swell their numbers and increase their lead over the combined opposition. Thus far three members of Mr. Bonar Law's government have been defeated, namely Sir Arthur Griffith Boscawen, minister of health; W. A. Watson, lord advocate and Lieutenant Colonel George F. Stanley, under secretary of the home office.

A feature of the election was the number of seats gained by the labor party which enters the house with far the largest number of members in the party's history. With 70 seats yet to be heard from the laborites had rolled up the big total of 120 members as against the 76 they had in the last house. Their gains were mainly at the expense of the conservatives and the Georgian liberals.

DAN MURPHY FOUND DEAD IN HIS CELL

One of Most Unique Figures of the State Prison—Had Served 25 Years.

Columbia, Nov. 16.—Dan Murphy one of the most unique figures ever sentenced to prison in South Carolina, was found dead in his cell at the penitentiary here, ending 25 years incarceration. Apoplexy is believed to have been the cause. A year ago the state pardon board offered him a pardon but he refused to leave the prison.

Murphy was sentenced from Orangeburg county in 1897 for the killing of County Treasurer Cope. To the end he protested his innocence claiming he was in Augusta, at the time of the killing. He is survived by his widow and a son who live in Millen, Ga.

Up to a year ago Murphy had never ridden in an automobile or seen a motion picture. A newspaper reporter discovered his history and through special arrangements with the prison officials the old man was taken for a tour of Columbia and to a picture show. Shortly afterwards Murphy was offered a pardon but he said that he was "too far behind the times" and that he wanted to end his days in prison.

FINE CORN SHOW.

S. L. Jeffords, of Spartanburg, passed through Abbeville yesterday and stopped in to look the corn show over. He expressed the opinion that the corn show here will rank with any corn show ever put on in the state.

THE CORN SHOW A SPLENDID ONE

Over 2,000 Ears of Corn on Exhibit at Planters Bank.—Best Show Ever Held in State.

The Abbeville County Corn Show being held in the Planters Bank today and tomorrow is one of the finest corn exhibits ever held in the state of South Carolina. There are over 2,000 ears of corn on exhibit, comprising 207 exhibit numbers. Of this lot 87 exhibits are by the boys and girls of the County. The outstanding fact of the show is that the boys and girls have cleaned up the earth with their parents in the selection of good seed corn.

The purpose of the show is to educate the people of the county in the selection of better seed corn. County Agent C. Lee Gowan, Supt. of Education P. H. Mann, often accompanied by Mr. Otto Bristow of the Planters Bank, visited every school in the District and made talks to the school children.

The lobby of the Planters Bank this morning is packed and jammed with exhibits. The exhibit boards are covered with green felt, and extend some eight or ten feet in height, showing off the corn to advantage.

Judging will be done today by Prof. C. P. Blackwell, of Clemson College, and Henry S. Johnson of Aiken. Dr. W. W. Long of Clemson College is also in the city lending his presence to the occasion.

Many people from all parts of the County are attending and a large crowd is expected from adjoining counties Saturday. It is a real education in corn and would be worth the while of the farmers of the surrounding counties to make the trip to Abbeville Saturday and take in this show.

Saturday will be children's day. The whole of Lethe School has been invited to town to see the show, and take in the "Bachelor Daddy" at the Opera House as the guests of Mr. Verchot, and they will accept this invitation if arrangements can be made to get them to town.

The Planters Bank is giving a free ticket to all boys and girls having exhibits at the corn show to the matinee at the Opera House showing "The Bachelor Daddy" Saturday afternoon.

HONOR ROLL OF CAMPBELL SCHOOL

The following is the honor roll of the Campbell school for the past month:

1st grade—James Hodge, Mahlon Ferguson, Mack Beatty, Jr., Mary Frances Simpson, Lily Banister.

2nd grade—Glenn McCollough, Dorris McCollough, Winona McMah.

4th grade—Margaret Campbell, Vollie Mae Suber, Wilma Hill, Elizabeth Hill, Mack Voyles, Ethel Brazeale.

5th grade—Gladys Beaty, Robert Campbell, Kistler Campbell, Lois Cann, Mildred McMahan, Katie Mae Ferguson, Mary Simpson.

6th grade—Annie Kate Campbell, Pauline Campbell, Sarah Simpson.

7th grade—Arlena McCollough.

8th grade—Mary Frances Beaty, Annie Ruth Voyles, Bertha Campbell.

9th grade—Parker Campbell, Vera Lewis, Edna Mann, Mary Nance.

FREE PICTURE SHOW

Mrs. Alma C. Gibbons will give a moving picture in the Opera House here Nov. 25th to which all of the people of Abbeville are invited to be her guests. Club girls and boys are especially invited.

BURLEY SMITH.

Burley Smith is in jail charged with disposing of property under mortgage.

FARM SITUATION GIVEN ATTENTION

EUGENE MEYER, JR., TALKS WITH PRESIDENT.—LIKELY THAT HARDING WILL TAKE UP MATTER IN MESSAGE IN CONGRESS.

Washington, Nov. 16.—Eugene Meyer, Jr., managing director of the War Finance Corporation, conferred with President Harding today and was understood to have discussed the situation.

It is believed that in his message to the regular session of Congress in December, Mr. Harding may discuss the possibility of need for legislation to provide permanent financing in chievery for the agricultural and live stock industries of the country.

According to some of the President's advisers additional coops in the federal farm financing machine are needed to place agricultural credits on a firm basis, particularly with respect to cooperative marketing associations and furnish a permanency of operation denied under the limited authority extended to the war finance corporation the War Finance Corporation is essential a temporary agency designed to meet an emergency.

Propegid machinery advocated by Mr. Meyer would take care of the financing of cooperation marketing associations through existing financial machinery by modifying the laws and regulations governing the eligibility requirements of the federal serve system and the financing of the live stock industry by amending the national banking act so as to authorize the creation of federal chartered loan companies operating with private capital under the supervision of the comptroller of the currency of the federal reserved system.

"BOB" CLARK SICK

"Bob" Clark is very sick with a case of pneumonia at his home about two miles from Due West.

This will be sad news to his many friends over the state. "Bob" is an old-timer when it comes to baseball. He was the Manager of the Abbeville team in the Carolina League last year; but before that he was a star on the Carolina team years ago, being a graduate from the University of South Carolina. He was at one time a member of the Million Dollar League in Georgia, and is well known in the base ball world. Here is hoping he will win out in his fight.

OFFERS PRIZE.

Mrs. Alma C. Gibbons is offering a prize to the club that sends in the largest number of records of the years work done in the different clubs. These reports should be in by the 20th, the very latest date they will be accepted by the County Agent is Nov. 25th.

BABY OF 29 MONTHS TO CAST BALLOT AT BARROW

London, Nov. 16.—A baby 29 months old will be carried to the polls at Barrow today to cast a vote in the parliamentary elections. The infant was one of many whose names appeared through error in the list of registered voters. The baby will be taken to the polling place by its mother.

COTTON MARKET

The highest price paid for cotton on the local market today was 26 cents. Futures closed

Dec.	26.69
Jan.	25.70
March	25.62
May	25.44
July	25.14